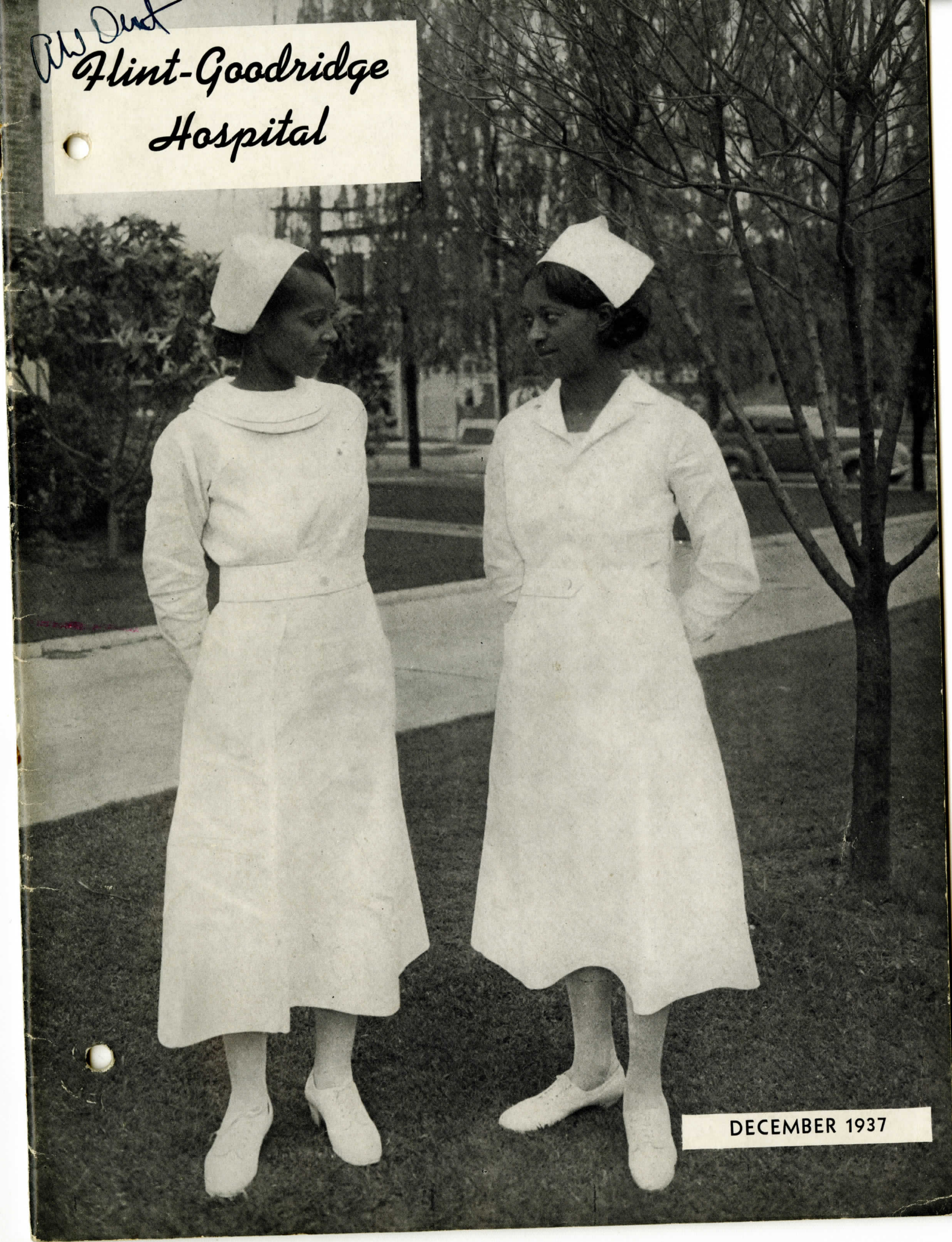


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Realizing the futility of treating one person without bringing in for examination all the members of his family, and further realizing the importance of isolation, sanitation, ventilation, etc., during 1937 we were able to secure a public health nurse for the tuberculosis clinic whose responsibility it is to bring into clinic all contacts, to see that the doctor's orders are carried out at home and to insist upon regular clinic attendance. As a result, in 1937 the attendance in this clinic increased 62% over 1936.

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DELIVERIES IN NEW ORLEANS BY PERCENTAGES OF PLACE AND COLOR

	HOSPITALS	HOMES	
		Physician	Midwives
1932			
White	58.5	24.2	17.3
Colored	65.0	13.3	21.7
1935			
White	70.7	17.2	12.0
Colored	71.6	18.3	10.0

Flint-Goodridge might well conclude that it played some part in bringing about this improvement.

The infant mortality rate in Louisiana, i.e., deaths within the first year, is 54.1% higher among Negro babies than whites. During the past year we have emphasized more than formerly the "well baby clinic". Mothers are requested to bring their babies back to this clinic once each month for inspection and advice. Visits to the pediatric clinic have increased from 1,242 in 1932 and 2,095 in 1936 to 3,623 in 1937.

Although only 10% of the Negro babies born in New Orleans in 1935 were delivered by midwives, the percentage of deliveries by midwives in the rural areas of Louisiana in the same year was 89.9. Since it is difficult to get physicians to practice in the rural parishes, it is obvious that midwifery will continue. An effort should be made to develop graduate nurses as midwives. There is no school of midwifery in the entire South. It might therefore be well for Flint-Goodridge to consider offering such training. This possibility is presently being discussed with the United States Children's Bureau.

GROUP HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE

Our ambition to conduct a plan whereby groups of employed persons may secure hospitalization when needed for a fixed annual premium within the reach of persons with low income has proved to be practical and desirable from the point of view of the subscriber and the hospital. As will be seen from the schedule below, \$3.65 per year - A-Penny-A-Day - is sufficient to support the plan. We now have enrolled 63 groups covering 2,436 persons. We have not used any of the subsidy provided by the Julius Rosenwald Fund, and at December 31 there was a reserve of \$408.04 in addition to that grant. The operation of this plan had considerable influence upon the increase of hospital occupancy during 1937. The idea was difficult to sell in the first year, but as more people know of its advantages, we are confident of an increased volume of subscribers, thereby creating a greater demand for hospitalization on a pay basis.

MEMBERSHIP

Contracts Issued	1,946	
Cancellations	489	
Contracts in Force		1,457
Dependents Covered	1,381	
Cancellations	402	
Dependents Covered		979
TOTAL PERSONS PROTECTED		2,436

EARNINGS

Fees Collected	\$ 4,903.02	\$ 4,903.02
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EXPENDITURES

Hospital Services	\$ 2,246.70	
Administration Expenses	2,248.28	
Total Expenditures		4,494.98
Operating Gain		408.04
Rosenwald Grant		4,500.00
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ROSENWALD FUND GRANTS \$22,000

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As a result of the Rosenwald grant, we have established a dental clinic with all new equipment. The clinic is under the direction of Dr. Joseph P. Wahl who has had many years of teaching experience and is recognized as one of the outstanding oral surgeons of the city. Dr. Wahl has two Junior Consultants and a staff of nine Negro dentists associated with him.

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488	Cancellations
1,437	Contracts in Force
1,381	Dependents Covered
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2,438	TOTAL PERSONS PROTECTED

EARNINGS

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\$ 2,343.70	Hospital Services
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In July Dr. F. T. Jones who since the beginning of the new hospital has served as Roentgenologist was also appointed as Anaesthetist, after having studied on fellowship. Our former practice had been for internes to administer anaesthetics.

Several additional members of the hospital personnel have done further study during the year. Miss E. Ophelia Settle, Director of Social Service, was given a leave of absence September 1 for a year of postgraduate study at the New York School of Social Work. Mrs. Eola Lyons Taylor, Director of Nursing, was given a six weeks' leave of absence during which time she observed nursing practices and technique at the University of Minnesota, the University of Wisconsin and at the several hospitals forming the Mayo Clinics. During the summer the Superintendent visited each of the Negro hospitals in the United States, which are approved by the American College of Surgeons, for the purpose of acquiring through observation methods of improving the work of Flint-Goodridge.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

In December, \$1,083.04 representing 25% of a legacy left to the hospital by Mrs. Cora Edgar Haynes was received from the Canal Bank in Liquidation. At the same time \$64.06 was received from the old New Orleans Colored Hospital Association which merged its resources with the campaign to build the new hospital. This money also represented a payment from the Canal Bank in Liquidation. A third legacy of \$50.00 came to the hospital from Miss Mattie C. Cross of Houma, Louisiana. Both Mrs. Haynes and Mrs. Cross were colored.

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A supervisor is placed at the hospital by the NYA to supervise these projects. While the hospital has contributed to the training of these young people, they in turn have rendered very valuable services. Acknowledgment is also made of the assistance given by the NYA through the assigning of persons to work in our offices, laboratories and dietary department. Almost all hospital sewing has been done by the NYA sewing project.

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until his death on September 1, 1937. Dr. Lemann also served as Senior Consultant to the Department of Medicine from the beginning of the hospital until his death.

The postgraduate course for physicians appealed strongly to Dr. Lemann, and it was very largely through his interest, and that of the other members of the Medical Advisory Board, that Flint-Goodridge was able to secure many of the best teachers from the two local medical schools to conduct the course.

The point at which Dr. Lemann was of inestimable value to the hospital was his depth of understanding of the problems confronting Negro doctors and his ability to win his associates on the consulting staff to a sympathetic understanding of the peculiar contribution which they might make.

Mr. Alvin P. Howard was one of the original Trustees. He served as Treasurer of the Board, and his interest and active participation in the financial management were of great value. He also served as Chairman of the Building Committee during the construction of the hospital and the university. As a member of the Hospital Committee his interest in all phases of the development of Flint-Goodridge was always evident.

Much of the spirit of these two friends has gone into the making of the hospital. Their passing is a loss which shall not soon be recovered.

After the death of Dr. Lemann, Dr. A. J. Hockett who had previously served as Secretary of the Medical Advisory Board was asked to serve as Chairman Pro Tem. In December, Dr. J. H. Musser, Professor of Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine, was

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VOLUME OF WORK INCREASES

In every department of the hospital the volume of work was greater in 1937 than in any previous year. The total number of individuals served in 1937 was 63.2% over 1932 and 31.0% above 1936.

TOTAL INDIVIDUAL PATIENTS SERVED

	1935	1936	1937
Hospital	1,525	1,679	2,118
Clinic	3,698	3,165	5,439
Emergency	1,357	1,735	1,987
Total	6,580	6,579	9,544

The increase in hospital patients was largely in the pay group, as will be seen from the following schedules:

HOSPITAL PATIENTS

	1935	1936	1937
Compensation	200	273	350
Other Full Pay	291	415	529
Part Pay	230	224	387
Newly Born	212	181	243
Free	582	586	609
Total	1,525	1,679	2,118

DAYS OF CARE GIVEN

	1935	1936	1937
Compensation	1,734	3,035	2,591
Other Full Pay	2,135	2,624	3,400
Part Pay	1,569	1,729	3,274
Newly Born	1,467	1,157	1,592
Free	5,994	5,508	5,469
Total	12,899	14,053	16,326
Average Daily Patients	35.3	38.4	43.4
Percentage of Occupancy Free	58.7	46.3	42.6

The total clinic visits were 4,580 more than in the previous year. The increase is particularly noticeable in pediatrics, syphilis, tuberculosis and eye. The new dental clinic obviously is meeting a great need.

CLINIC VISITS

SERVICE	1935	1936	1937
Medical A	3,620	2,948	2,513
Syphilis	4,044	3,080	3,890
Tuberculosis	-	223	360
Surgery	3,156	2,988	2,644
Pediatrics	2,635	2,095	3,623
Gynecology	1,345	1,032	1,069
Obstetrics	1,218	1,073	962
Urology	2,019	1,540	1,360
Ear, Nose, Throat	1,742	1,388	1,582
Eye	1,200	1,078	1,998
Dental	-	-	1,478
Special	105	200	746
Total	21,084	17,645	22,225

FINANCES

The auditor's report shows our earnings for the year amounted to \$51,868.01, and that we received in contributions \$21,150.71. During the same period our operating expenses, including \$1,719.84 spent for new equipment, amounted to \$73,053.55. The operating deficit for the year is therefore \$34.83. However, when Uncollectible Accounts and Depreciation on Equipment are added, the total deficit for 1937 is increased to \$2,598.01.

In addition to the regular hospital operations included in the above figures, we spent \$10,555.12 on special projects, these funds having been given for the specific purposes.

On January 1, 1937 the deficit of the hospital, since opening in 1932, was \$8,261.96. I am glad to report that during the year this figure has been reduced to \$7,164.93.

selected to succeed Dr. Lehmann as a member of the Medical Advisory Board and as Senior Consultant to the Department of Medicine.

VOLUME OF WORK INCREASES

In every department of the hospital the volume of work was greater in 1937 than in any previous year. The total number of individuals served in 1937 was 83,325 over 1935 and 31,025 above 1936.

TOTAL INDIVIDUAL PATIENTS SERVED

1937	1936	1935	
2,118	1,878	1,525	Hospital
5,439	5,165	3,898	Clinic
1,987	1,755	1,307	Emergency
9,544	8,798	6,730	Total

The increase in hospital patients was largely in the pay group, as will be seen from the following schedule:

HOSPITAL PATIENTS

1937	1936	1935	
520	475	300	Compensation
529	415	391	Other Full Pay
387	324	230	Part Pay
648	181	118	Newly born
608	588	582	Free
2,118	1,878	1,525	Total

DAYS OF CARE GIVEN

1937	1936	1935	
2,681	2,082	1,734	Compensation
5,400	5,125	3,125	Other Full Pay
3,274	1,729	1,369	Part Pay
1,582	1,187	1,487	Newly born
8,468	6,988	6,984	Free
18,328	16,088	12,699	Total

1937	1936	1935	
43.4	38.4	35.3	Average Daily Patients
48.8	48.8	39.7	Percentage of Outpatient Free

SOME PERTINENT FIGURES

	<u>1935</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>1937</u>
1. <u>Cost Per Patient Day (1)</u>			
A. All Patients	\$3.23	\$3.19	\$3.20
B. Excluding Newly Borns	\$3.64	\$3.48	\$3.55
2. <u>Cost Per Clinic Visit (2)</u>	27.7¢	35.3¢	30.8¢
3. <u>Prepared Meal Cost</u>	14.6¢	17.6¢	23.4¢
4. <u>Average Days Stay</u>			
(a) All Patients	8.5	8.4	7.7
(b) Compensation	8.7	11.1	7.4
(c) Other Full Pay	7.4	6.3	6.4
(d) Part Pay	6.7	7.7	8.3
(e) Free	11.9	9.4	8.8
5. <u>Individuals Admitted to Each Clinic</u>			
Medicine	822	707	721
Surgery	734	697	617
Pediatrics	751	626	1,339
Gynecology & Obstetrics	584	477	478
Urology	163	170	166
Ear, Nose, Throat	368	339	373
Eye	171	149	286
Dental	-	-	713
Special	105	200	746
Total	3,698	3,165	5,439
6. <u>Percent Free Clinic Visits (3)</u>	81%	54.1%	17.4%
7. <u>Free Patients Admitted for Clinical Study</u>			
Medicine	55	59	38
Surgery	101	146	140
Pediatrics	95	103	92
Gynecology & Obstetrics	223	173	150
Urology	13	14	20
Ear, Nose, Throat	81	85	166
Eye	14	6	2
Dentistry	-	-	1
Total	582	586	609
8. <u>Special Services Rendered Patients Treated</u>			
Surgical Operations	639	743	994
X-ray Pictures	560	620	1,066
Laboratory Tests	14,147	12,918	10,668
Prescriptions Filled	3,656	4,274	5,797

The total clinic visits were 4,580 more than in the previous year. The increase is particularly noticeable in pediatrics, syphilis, tuberculosis and eye. The new dental clinic obviously is meeting a great need.

<u>CLINIC VISITS</u>	<u>1935</u>	<u>1936</u>	<u>1937</u>
Medical A	2,380	2,348	2,513
Syphilis	4,044	5,080	5,880
Tuberculosis	-	323	330
Surgery	2,128	2,088	2,444
Pediatrics	2,832	2,088	2,823
Gynecology	1,342	1,082	1,089
Obstetrics	1,218	1,078	982
Urology	2,019	1,340	1,350
Ear, Nose, Throat	1,742	1,338	1,362
Eye	1,200	1,078	1,388
Dental	-	-	1,478
Special	105	200	746
Total	21,084	17,848	22,228

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ed to \$21,888.01, and that we received in contributions \$21,180.71.
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spent for new equipment, amounted to \$78,025.55. The operating
deficit for the year is therefore \$34,838.83. However, when uncollectible
accounts and depreciation on equipment are added, the total deficit
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	1935	1936	1937
1. <u>Cost Per Patient Day (1)</u>			
A. All Patients	\$3.25	\$3.19	\$3.20
B. Excluding Newly Borns	\$3.64	\$3.48	\$3.48
2. <u>Cost Per Clinic Visit (2)</u>			
A. All Patients	\$7.74	\$8.34	\$8.84
B. Excluding Newly Borns	\$14.84	\$17.84	\$23.44
3. <u>Prepared Meal Cost</u>			
A. All Patients	\$8.4	\$8.4	\$7.7
B. Excluding Newly Borns	\$11.1	\$11.1	\$7.4
C. Other Daily Pay	\$7.4	\$8.4	\$8.4
D. Port Pay	\$7.7	\$7.7	\$7.7
E. Free	\$11.8	\$8.4	\$8.8
4. <u>Individuals Admitted to Each Clinic</u>			
Medicine	823	707	721
Surgery	784	687	617
Pediatrics	721	628	1,328
Gynecology & Obstetrics	584	477	478
Urology	163	170	168
Ear, Nose, Throat	388	323	373
Eye	171	149	288
Dental	-	-	713
Special	103	200	748
<u>Total</u>	3,898	3,183	5,438
5. <u>Percent Free Clinic Visits (3)</u>	81.5	84.12	17.42
6. <u>Free Patients Admitted for Clinical Study</u>			
Medicine	88	68	38
Surgery	101	146	140
Pediatrics	92	103	92
Gynecology & Obstetrics	223	173	150
Urology	13	14	20
Ear, Nose, Throat	81	86	166
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Dentistry	-	-	1
<u>Total</u>	582	586	609
7. <u>Special Services Rendered Patients Treated</u>			
Surgical Operations	838	743	894
X-ray Pictures	380	320	1,066
Laboratory Tests	14,147	12,818	10,668
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	1935	1936	1937
9. Births	212	181	243
10. Deaths	49	55	74
11. Percent Post Mortems	16.3%	32.7%	13.5%
12. <u>Cost of Free Services</u>			1937
(a) Hospital Patients			\$19,123.23
(b) Clinic Patients			4,819.29
(c) Clinical Teaching			4,500.00
(d) Emergency Cases			2,712.95
Total Contribution in Free Services			\$31,155.47

- (1) Does not include services for which a fee is charged in addition to regular day rate.
- (2) Does not include cost of clinical teaching or services which are not covered by the 10¢ fee.
- (3) Up to August, 1936 our clinic fee was 25¢ per visit. We reduced the fee to 10¢, insisted upon payment, and as a result, we show a tremendous decline in percentage of free visits.